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SUBJECT: SENATOR HUMPHREY INTRODUCES BILL FOR US
PARTICIPATION IN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

1. PLEASE INFORM PRESIDENT LABIDI OF AFDB THAT ON AUGUST 3, PRIOR TO CONGRESSIONAL RECESS, SENATOR HUBERT HUMPHREY, CHAIRMAN OF AFRICA SUB-COMMITTEE OF SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, FOR HIMSELF AND SENATORS MCGEE, KENNEDY, BROOKE AND JAVITS, INTRODUCED S. 2354 QUOTE A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND UNQUOTE. THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE. THIS IS A FIRST STEP IN USG EFFORTS TO GET NECESSARY CONGRESSIONAL ACTION FOR US PARTICIPATION. SIMILAR BILL IS YET TO BE INTRODUCED IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVEW (IT WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM HOUSE BANKING AND CURRENCY COMMITTEE) AND APPROPRIATIONS BILLS WOULD HAVE TO FOLLOW BEFORE RATIFICATION PROCESS WOULD BE COMPLETE.

2. FYI. HUMPHREY INITIATIVE COMES AS RESULT OF STATE-TREASURY BRIEFING OF CONGRESSMAN DIGGS IN MAY, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY HUMPHREY STAFFER, AND IN WHICH IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WAS NOT REPEAT NOT PROPER VEHICLE FOR MOVING PARTICIPATION FORWARD. IN MID-JULY, STATE BRIEFED SENATOR, WHO AGREED TO SUBMIT BILL. MATERIAL WAS THEN PREPARED FOR HIM BY STATE WITH TREASURY ASSISTANCE. HIS OWN STAFF WROTE COVERING SPEECH. END FYI.

3. TOGETHER WITH SPEECH, HUMPHREY INTRODUCED BILL AND SUP-PORTING DOCUMENTS. ROGERS

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